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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR HEATING GAS FROM A THIN LAYER OF

NUCLEAR FUEL, AND SPACE ENGINE USING SUCH METHOD

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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 17, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: